Notice of Public Comment Period

Planned Issuance of a Clean Air Act Permit Program Permit

Facility Information	Comment Period Begin Date	Available Documents
Hoffman Estates (CHI05, CHI06, CHI07) Data Center 2045 Lakewood Boulevard Hoffman Estates, IL 60192	October 28, 2026	https://epa.illinois.gov/public-notices/boa-notices.html
	Comment Period End Date November 30, 2026	**For More Information** Sarah Brubaker (217) 786-0790 TDD phone number (866) 273-5488 sarah.brubaker@illinois.gov

Hoffman Estates (CHI05, CHI06, CHI07) Data Center has applied to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Illinois EPA) for a Clean Air Act Permit Program (CAAPP) permit regulating air emissions from its facility located at 2045 Lakewood Boulevard in Hoffman Estates. The source operates three electronic data centers containing computer equipment that consumes electrical power, which is normally purchased from the utility grid. The emission units associated with the three data centers include a total of fifty-five (55) emergency generators used to supply power to the source when electrical power from the utility grid is unavailable due to outages. In addition, the emergency generators will be fired periodically for short periods of time as part of a maintenance testing program. Based on its review of the application, the Illinois EPA has made a preliminary determination that the application meets the standards for issuance and has prepared a draft permit for public review.

The Illinois EPA is accepting written public comments on the draft permit. After consideration of any comments received, the Illinois EPA will make a final decision on the permit.

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Written comments must be received by 11:59 PM on November 30, 2026. If a significant degree of public interest is expressed in the draft permit, a public hearing or other information meeting may be held.

Written comments should be submitted to:

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Additional guidance on submitting a comment is available at:
https://epa.illinois.gov/topics/community-relations/public-notices/public-comment.html

Copies of the draft permit and other documents are available by visiting https://epa.illinois.gov/public-notices/boa-notices.html. Draft permit documents are also available for inspection at the Illinois EPA's offices at 595 South State St. in Elgin, (847) 608-3131 and 2520 W. Iles Ave. in Springfield, (217) 786-0790 (please call ahead to assure that someone will be available to assist you). Copies of the documents will be made available upon request.

The CAAPP is Illinois' operating permit program for major sources of emissions, as required by Title V of the Clean Air Act (CAA). The conditions of CAAPP permits are enforceable by the public, as well as by the USEPA and Illinois EPA. In addition to implementing Title V of the CAA, CAAPP permits may contain "Title I Conditions," i.e., conditions established under the permit programs for new and modified emission units, pursuant to Title I of the CAA. The permit contains T1R conditions that can be found in Sections 4.1.2(g)(i)(D) and 6.1(a)(iv)(A) of the draft permit.

The beginning of this public comment period also serves as the beginning date of the U.S. EPA 45-day review period, provided the U.S. EPA does not seek a separate proposed period.

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